

 KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Legislative Bill	Blue Bill # SB 07						
	Referred to Committee: Senate 1						
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1 An act to require DNA evidence for a defendant to receive the death penalty.

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3 **Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky**

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5 Section 1: If a person is proven guilty of a crime, in order to receive the death penalty, the court must have
6 DNA evidence that proves the offender guilty.

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8 Section 2: This bill will give the offender a fairer trial, so they will not be put to death without sufficient
9 evidence.

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11 Section 3: Eligible crimes for the death penalty are:
12 Capital murder with the presence of at least one statutory aggravating circumstance and capital kidnapping.

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14 Section 4: If DNA evidence is not provided at the scene of the crime then the death penalty is not an option
15 as a form of punishment.

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17 Section 5: One third of the 75,000 eyewitnesses, in the US, are incorrect. DNA evidence will help provide a
18 more accurate picture. As of December 26, 2012; 142 people were exonerated from death row out of 3,170
19 people due to DNA evidence. DNA can help exonerate more innocent people.

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21 Section 6: This bill will not cost any more money than we already spend on the death penalty or DNA
22 evidence because we are lowering the rate of execution, which would save money on lethal injection.

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24 Section 7: This bill will go in affect immediately after the law passes.